

MAINE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

March 13, 2008

(Not Approved – draft copy only)

Chair Jeffrey Cammack called the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission to order at 7:40 pm at Verillo's Convention Center in Portland. Members present included John Arsenault, Chief Daniel Brooks, Stephan Bunker, Chief John Dean, Chief Darrel Fournier, Gerry Gay, Ron Green, Geoffrey Maker, Alex McPhedran, Senator Richard Nass, Harty Norris, Vicki Schmidt and David Wacker. Members absent included Representative Patricia Blanchette, Jay Bradshaw, Representative Dean Cray, Alan Johnston, Ed Marks, Robert McAleer, Representative Benjamin Pratt, Charles Soltan and Senator Ethan Strimling.

The Fire Commission business meeting followed a roundtable discussion with Fire Commission members and attendees of the Blaine House Conference for Emergency First Responders. The roundtable discussion focused on current legislative issues involving Maine's fire service.

Committee Reports

In accordance with Article 1, Section 1 of the Fire Commission bylaws, the Fire Commission "*shall select new officers annually. Elections of officers shall be held at the regularly scheduled meeting in April, which shall be deemed the Fire Commission's annual meeting...*" The Elections Committee met and presented their nominees to the Fire Commission. The nominees for Fire Commission officers are:

Chief Jeffrey Cammack- Chair
Senator Richard Nass-Vice Chair
Geoffrey Maker-Secretary
Chief John Dean- Treasurer

A motion by Gerry Gay, seconded by Ron Green, that the Elections Committee unanimously recommends the following slate of candidates for officers of the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission and urge their election at the Annual Meeting in April.
The motion passed unanimously.

With no further business to come before the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission, Chair Cammack adjourned the meeting at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Pinette

Meeting Schedule and Dates of Interest

<u>Monday, April 7, 2008</u>	ANNUAL MEETING**	State House	1:00pm
<u>Monday, May 5, 2008</u>	MEETING	Florian Hall	1:00pm
<u>Monday, June 2, 2008</u>	MEETING	Florian Hall	1:00pm
<u>Monday, July 7, 2008</u>	MEETING	Florian Hall	1:00pm
<u>Monday, August 4, 2008</u>	MEETING	Florian Hall	1:00pm
<u>Monday, September 8, 2008</u>	MEETING	Florian Hall	1:00pm
<u>Monday, October 6, 2008</u>	MEETING	Florian Hall	1:00pm
<u>Monday, November 3, 2008</u>	MEETING	Florian Hall	1:00pm
<u>Monday, November 4, 2008</u>	ELECTION DAY		
<u>Monday, December 1, 2008</u>	MEETING	Florian Hall	1:00pm

To be scheduled:

Retreat on Recruitment and Retention (May 2008)
Visit to the New Hampshire Fire Academy

** Election of Fire Commission Officers